

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES – Regular Meeting
Town Hall Conference Room
June 16, 2015**

PRESENT: Robert P. Valentine, Dexter Kinsella, Steven M. Romano

Robert Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED that the minutes of the special meeting of June 9, 2015, were approved as submitted. Voted unanimous.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 9, 2015, were approved as submitted. Vote passed with Steven M. Romano abstaining.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to add to the agenda under item 2. - Amend the minutes of the May 12, 2015. Voted unanimous.

IN A MOTION made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to amend the minutes of the May 12, 2015 regular meeting. Term expiration dates were added to the motions pertaining to the appointees to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Voted unanimous.

Recommendations were made for the following appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals:

IN A MOTION made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to appoint **Daniel Kobylenski** to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term expiring **April 23, 2017**. Voted unanimously.

IN A MOTION made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to appoint **Amanda Cannon** to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term expiring **April 23, 2017**. Voted unanimously.

IN A MOTION made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to appoint **Donald Moore** to the Zoning Board of Appeals term expiring **April 23, 2017**. Voted unanimously.

IN A MOTION made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to appoint **Chris Sanders** as Alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals term expiring **April 23, 2017**. Voted unanimously.

IN A MOTION made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded, by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to appoint **Geogre Szydlowski** as Alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals term expiring **April 23, 2017**. Voted unanimously.

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MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: None

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to approve the warrant and payroll of June 18, 2015, in the amount of \$34,504.03. It was noted that included in the payroll and warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$10,275.52 and the warrant in the amount of \$24,228.51. Voted unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Bob Valentine reported receipt of a letter from First Selectman Leo Paul, of Litchfield, requesting the list of potential cooperative items and savings that could be had between the Litchfield School District and Region 6 School District. Region 6 Superintendent Ed Drapp and Board of Education Chairman, Chris Sanders have sent the said list to Mr. Paul. From this, the Board of Selectmen of Goshen hopes to move forward with some of these cooperative efforts.

Bob Valentine, Rhonda Gelormino and Accounting Consultant, Debbie Franklin are putting together a comprehensive policy book that points out the checks and balances built into the fiscal policies and procedures that are in place with Goshen's financial processes. Upon completion, this policy book will be reviewed and approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Another fine edition of *Town Topics* has been completed and will be in all of the mail boxes of our Goshen residents.

Bob Valentine reported receipt of the letter from our Judge of Probate, the Honorable Michael Magistrali. His letter outlined the consequences emanating from the recently adopted State Budget. The Governor's budget eliminates entirely funding for individuals needing to do business with the state probate courts. Judge Magistrali's letter outlines the new fee increases that will come from business done with our probate court system. One of the challenges is that changes to fees for descendants' estates will result in some very large probate fee invoices.

Work continues on Shelbourne Drive, however, David Battista, Lenard Engineering, will have to create an engineering plan for the drainage there. There exists substantial erosion from the current drainage system which needs to be addressed. Bob Valentine recommends these costs for the remedy design be taken from the TAR (Town Aide Roads) fund.

Bob Valentine suggested a possible fund raiser for the local Boy Scouts. *Mail-a-Map* will create an updated map of Goshen and Cornwall. The map will have margins for which ads from local businesses can be shown. 25% of the ad revenue can be earned by the Boy Scouts for their treasury. Steven Romano will present this to our local troop.

Bob Valentine would like to reach out to Goshen residents who may be interested in serving on the Recycle and Trash Committee (RAT). Those who have served on this committee in the past will be asked first if they wish to continue their membership.

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Bob Valentine will request Ed Perry, Public Works Supervisor, to create a work-scope for the installation of guard rails on Gray Lane.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to add to this agenda item 8.a –Appointment of Public Works Supervisor. Voted unanimous.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to add item 9.c- Recommendation for Printing Ad and item 9.d – Appointment of Planning and Zoning Alternate to fill vacancy. Voted unanimously.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to hire **Garret Harlow** to serve as Goshen's Public Works Supervisor. Mr. Harlow presented the knowledge necessary for our evolving Public Works department, as well as the management and personnel skills having worked for Milone & MacBroom, Inc., Cheshire, since 2001. He has managed major projects in a long list of towns in Connecticut. The Board of Selectmen was very impressed with Mr. Harlow's important high-level skill set.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to approve the update to the *Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens* used by the Recreation Department for staff training at Camp Coch. Colleen Finn, Recreation Director, reviewed the plan and endorsed CIRMA's requirement to add language to Page 7, Work Practice Controls, and item #4. Voted unanimous.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to approve the bid for Oddo Print Shop to print the *Town Topics*. Voted unanimous.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to appoint Rick J. Boger-Hawkins to fill the vacancy of Alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals, beginning today June 16, 2015 with service expiring November 13, 2015.

OTHER BUSINESS: Dexter Kinsella has knowledge of a person who would like to serve on the Conservation Commission. The current two (2) members will be moving out of town. Another individual has also expressed interest in serving on this Committee.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide